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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REPLY TO INVITATION FROM JULIO
MESQUITA

REFS: SAO PAULO 1094, BRASILIA 4818

1. FOLLOWING LETTER SIGNED BY JODY POWELL (JOSEPH L.
POWELL, JR.) DATED JULY 7 SENT BY WHITE HOUSE TO JULIO
DE MESQUITA NETO IN REPLY TO INVITATION DISCUSSED REFTELS.
QUOTE: DEAR MR. MESQUITA: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
INVITATION OF APRIL 10 TO PRESIDENT CARTER TO ADDRESS THE
INTERAMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION MEETING IN MIAMI IN
OCTOBER. THE PRESIDENT GREATLY ENJOYED THE OPPORTUNITY
TO MEET WITH YOU DURING HIS VISIT TO BRAZIL. THE OPEN-
NESS OF THE EXCHANGE WAS STIMULATING AND REWARDING.

I REGRET THE DELAY IN REPLYING TO YOUR LETTER, BUT WE
WERE UNABLE TO COMMIT THE PRESIDENT TO AN OCTOBER ENGAGE-
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MENT SO FAR IN ADVANCE. WE VIEW THE INTERAMERICAN
PRESS ASSOCIATION GENERAL ASSEMBLY AS AN IMPORTANT FORUM
TO WHICH THE PRESIDENT WOULD BE HONORED TO SPEAK. AT
THIS TIME, HOWEVER, IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT PRESIDENT CARTER
WILL BE ABLE TO APPEAR AT THE OCTOBER MEETING.

WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE YOUR EARLY INVITATION.

SINCERELY, (JODY POWELL) JOSEPH L. POWELL, JR.,PRESS
SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT. UNQUOTE. CHRISTOPHER

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